

9/25/2017 – 0700 CDT Update

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- House of Representatives Speaker, Paul Ryan, visited the Houston Branch yesterday, September 21, 2017.
- On September 21, 2017 the state cost-share for response activities increased to 10%.
- EPA field activities will continue for the proper disposal of over 980 containers of miscellaneous materials, spill response, debris staging and landfill observation teams and community assistance program to share federal and state guidance to individuals that are dealing with potential hazards in damage or lost homes.
- The Houston Branch of Unified Command continues to stage, characterize, and consolidate orphan containers for proper disposal. The Port Arthur/Beaumont Branch has transferred all recovered containers and waste to the Houston Branch. The Houston Branch is projected to complete waste characterization by September 24, 2017, and all activities within 21 days.
- The TCEQ has requested the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to increase EPA's ESF-10 Mission Assignment an additional \$3.3 million. Once fully approved, this will bring the total funding for assessment and response to \$15.49 million.

COMMUNITY LIAISONS

Community Liaison teams continue to provide information regarding returning to flooded areas and handling of house-hold waste in the counties of San Patricio, Rockport, Bee, Kleberg, Austin, Brazoria, Fayette, Galveston, Harris, Lee, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, Wharton, Hardin, and Orange. The plan is for these teams to continue activities until October 23, 2017. The teams are listening to concerns from the community, associated with the recovery effort, and transferring this information back to County officials and the Joint Field Office (JFO), to the appropriate ESF contacts, where appropriate.

ORPHAN CONTAINER & WASTE DISPOSAL OPERATIONS DEBRIS OBSERVATIONS

Joint EPA and TCEQ field observation teams continue to observe debris staging and landfill operations within XXX (names) counties in Texas to ensure best practices and program requirements are being met. EPA observers visited XX sites, with TCEQ, on September XX, 2017. FEMA reported that 146 debris sites have been approved. Currently, FEMA estimates debris to total 17.7 million cubic yards. A federal Debris Management Taskforce has been established at the Joint Field Office (JFO) in Austin and EPA is a member of the Taskforce.

Items/Materials Processed for Disposal as of 9/21/17												
	Drums [55gal]	Small Containers [< 55gal]	Large Containers [> 55gal]	Cylinders	Solid Waste/Roll Off Box	Total Scrap Metal Recycled (lbs)						
Total received at all Staging Pads	427	397	43	120	3	5,000						
Processed for Disposal												
Total processed for disposal	173	241	22	52	2							
Remaining to be Processed for Disposal	254	156	21	68	1							
Percent Remaining	59%	39%	49%	57%	33%							

FUNDING

September 21, 2017, UPDATED 1300 hours

Funding Sources	Funding Ceiling	Funding Ceiling Less Indirect	Obligated to Date	Estimated Spent to Date	Unobligated Dollars Remaining	Estimated Unspent Dollars Remaining	Daily Burn Rate	Days Remaining		
Non Mission Assignment	N/A			\$64,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
MA 4332DR-TX-EPA- 01	\$275,000.00	\$242,741.00	\$71,520.00	\$71,520.00	\$171,221.00	\$171,221.00	\$4,064.00	42.13		
MA 4332DR-TX-EPA- 03	\$12,192,000.00	\$10,761,763.00	\$8,594,781.41	\$6,360,680.02	\$2,166,981.59	\$4,401,082.98	\$284,972.86	see below		
Totals:	\$12,467,000.00	\$11,004,504.00	\$8,666,301.41	\$6,496,400.02	\$2,338,202.59	\$4,508,103.98				
Days remaining based on authorized direct ceiling minus total payroll, travel, and contracts EXPENDED										
Days Remaining based on authorized ceiling minus total payroll, travel, and contract OBLIGATIONS										
NOTE: This report includes estimated cumulative costs of the HQ EOC charging under MA#03 (09/16/17)										